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Bureau of Land Management

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MILES CITY – Christmas tree permits allowing individuals to cut a tree from accessible Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered lands are available by contacting the Miles City Field Office. Cost per permit is \$3.

Permits may be obtained by mail. A check for the total amount and made out to the BLM Miles City Field Office can be mailed to: BLM, Miles City Field Office, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, Montana, 59301.

Permits can also be picked up in person at the field office. Permittees will be provided with a map that shows the marked cutting areas.

The area southeast of Knowlton School and the Pine Unit south of Glendive are marked for Christmas tree cutting. Trees in the Pine Unit are mostly juniper with some ponderosa pine. Trees in the Knowlton Unit are mostly ponderosa pine with some juniper.

Any questions about the Christmas tree program may be directed to BLM Forester Ray Smith at the Miles City Field Office, phone (406) 233-2854.